

What is Scoping?

The process of determining the scope, focus and content of an environmental impact statement/environmental impact report is known as “scoping.” Scoping is a part of the National Environmental Policy Act/California Environmental Quality Act (NEPA/CEQA) process in which the general public, interested agencies and stakeholders provide comments to the Federal and State Lead Agencies to help identify the key issues, range of actions, alternatives, and environmental effects to be analyzed in the EIS/EIR.

The following issues related to this project have been identified to date:

- **Air Quality:** Temporary increase in air emissions.
- **Cultural Resources:** Disturbance of unknown historic or archaeological resources during construction.
- **Noise:** Temporary increases in noise levels near sensitive receptors during construction.
- **Recreation:** Disturbance of recreational activities in areas adjacent to construction.
- **Terrestrial Biological Resources:** Disturbance or loss of riparian vegetation, jurisdictional wetlands, or other sensitive natural communities or special-status species habitats; construction disturbance or take of special-status terrestrial species.
- **Visual Resources:** Changes in scenic views or visual character of project area.
- **Design Alternatives:** Development and/or selection of appropriate project designs.
- **Cumulative Effects:** The effects of this project in combination with past, present, and reasonably foreseeable effects of other projects.

The NEPA/CEQA process will identify potentially significant impacts resulting from the corrective actions taking place at B.F. Sisk Dam.